## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
David Llewellyn REES	: Examiner: Unassigned
Application No.: Divisional of 09/409,247	: Group Art Unit: Unassigned
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows: